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President's Corner

By David Sophusson

Another great season is coming to a close. Raceway #2 has been released and by the end of August #s 1 and 3 will also be sent out to sea. Thinking back on all this I am amazed at what it takes to accomplish this endeavor. Here we are just a small hatchery, but with a big influence on our community and it all gets done by our hard work and dedication with little rewards to the individuals who make it all happen. So with that I would like to thank all of our daily feeders and cleaners for giving up so many man hours. Without you folks, I don't think we would even have a hatchery. I also want to thank all those volunteers who maintain and organize the various projects that are never-ending, making sure the fish have the best environment possible to survive and stay healthy. Then there are all the folks that show up for spawning, egg sorting, counting, and fin clipping. Where would we be without you? In addition, since we are a non-profit group, we still have bills that need to be paid. Thanks to those volunteers (treasurer and bookkeeper). Another round of thanks has to be sent out to those volunteers who organize and participate in the various fund-raisers needed to help fund us. And where would we be without the community support of all the businesses that donate time, money, discounts, and more with little or no recognition? Thank you! I also want to thank ODFW and other groups for their hours spent writing grants and acquiring donations. Another thanks needs to be given to the CAF board members who mostly keep me in line but also make a lot of sometimes hard decisions to keep us up to date technologically and point us in the right direction to be the successful hatchery we

are today. Our volunteers do a great job; I'm very pleased to be working with each and every one of them. We also can't forget the folks that put out *The Riffle* each and every month. So where am I going with all this? Well, I'll tell you. I was floating around the bay in my boat awhile back taking my pet anchovy for a swim and with nothing else to do. I started to realize just how many people it takes to do what we do at the hatchery. And when that hit me I felt that I really need to say Thank You Everyone! By the way, when I left the bay, I want to let you know that no fish were harmed or injured, even my anchovy came out of the water in the same condition as when I started!

CAF General Meeting

Aug. 8, 2013

David Sophusson, president, called the meeting to order at 10:08am. A film crew from Germany contacted David about the possibility of filming an educational segment on the hatchery as they come down the Oregon coast in late August. They will be in touch with David. There have been many tours this summer and maybe CAF clothing items should be available for sale to tour groups.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Jorge reported a July gain of \$10,498.17 and bank balance of \$22,553.93. Our grants accounting is now complete. There hasn't been any activity in the Combs Memorial account, but a second letter will be sent to the schools in late September soliciting proposals for projects meeting the fund's criteria. The fireworks booth raised \$1,905.53. Becky Sophusson will no longer do the bookkeeping after this year and Barbara will take on that responsibility. We really appreciate Becky's handling that position and helping Barbara get acquainted with our financial reporting.

Derby- Chairman, Mike Kopec, reported that advertising posters have been printed and are ready for distribution. There will be 2 raffle boards with prizes of interest to women. Dean Hendricks of North County Lures has donated derby prizes of a variety fishing gear and several boxes of his own brand lures that CAF can sell for fundraising. The CAF board is contemplating the designation of a raceway recognizing Dean

as a major sponsor of CAF. The Saturday night dinner/raffle/awards function will be held at the old Mail Boats barn with a local vendor providing food for sale.

Hatchery- Vice president, Gary Underhill, said the release of fish from raceway 2 went very well and the increased water flow to the remaining raceways has noticeably improved. The vault screen has been repaired by Freeman Marine. The source of the problem at the vault on July 4th has not been identified. The DO system will be wired into the alarm.

ODFW- John Weber was very pleased with the health of the fish that were released. The samples of the fish that were sent for pathology verified that the volunteers are doing a great job in caring for the fish. John was very complimentary of the extreme dedication of several members that have put in countless hours to assure that the hatchery runs smoothly.

Membership chairperson needed- Hassie Taylor was in charge of membership when she was treasurer and continued that job when she left the board and took over as editor of *The Riffle*. She will relinquish the membership responsibility at the end of the year and we will need a replacement. Thanks, Hassie, for doing a great job!

BOARD MEMBERS- The present 8 board members have agreed to seek reelection and we have one volunteer that would like to be elected for the remaining vacant position. Any other volunteers that would like to join the board please speak to one of the board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

Treasurer's Corner

Submitted by Barbara Jorge,
CAF Treasurer

Treasurer's Report	June	July
Operating Capital	\$12,056	\$22,554
July Income		15,318
July Expenses		4,819

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by Chris Underhill,
CAF Volunteer Coordinator 541-247-0396

Well we've made it through another spawning season and we have released 1 raceway so far. We released 28,797 Chinook Salmon Smolt into the estuary at Riverview Boat Ramp on Aug 6th. The new fish pump worked great and we had many visitors come and view the release. Kopec cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for everyone and a good time was had by all. Thank you to all the volunteers who crowded & released, then cleaned the raceway.

The final releases of Rwy 1 & 3 will be late August, I'll be calling.

Hope everyone who has the time comes out and supports the CAF Rogue River Salmon Derby Sept. 3 thru the 7th. It's a \$25.00 entry fee at Rogue Outdoor Store to enter the Blind Bogey Tournament. Blind Bogey means no one will know the winner till the surprise weight is announced at the Derby Ceremony on Sept. 7th at the Jet Boat Barn by Sweetbriar's. I know Mike Kopec, Harry Carlson & Diane Kellogg have been collecting some great items for the raffle boards & auction. This year we'll have a women's raffle board & a beautiful fly rod will be presented to the youth winner.

If you have the time, please come out Sat. Sept. 7th from 5pm-9pm and support the Indian Creek Hatchery and Curry Anadromous Fishermen. I look forward to seeing you and don't forget to bring your wallets; this is the big fund will go to the maintenance & operation of the Indian Creek Hatchery.

After the derby we should have the rest of Sept. off, except for repairs and cleaning of the raceways, and then Oct. 1st we will start collecting brood stock for the 2014 Spawning Season and begin again! Hope to see you at the Derby, I'll be calling!

WANTED

CAF Board Member

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THERE WILL NOT BE A RIFFLE RELEASE NEXT MONTH.

Volunteer of the Month Profile

Hassie Taylor

Submitted by Hassie Taylor



Photo by Mureen Walker

I am the product of an immigrant family who was seeking a better life across the Atlantic in the 1950's. My parents didn't have a sponsor for direct passage into the U.S., so my father took a job in Canada and my mother and I followed a half year later. We lived in Ontario for a couple of years. Then my father landed a job in Ohio where we spent a winter and from Ohio we loaded up a U-Haul and drove west to California.

Raised and educated in Manhattan Beach, I left to finish college in Sacramento and taught school in a neighboring suburb for almost thirty years. As a teacher I taught every grade except first and second. I tend to get bored quickly, so it's exciting for me to enter new terrain. During my teaching career I spearheaded several programs in the district including a writing program for students who were struggling with composition, Arts in the Classrooms Program where I served as the liaison between our schools in the district and the county coordinating parent volunteers to come into the schools and present art history with a follow-up hands-on art project to the students grades K-6. I was the queen of theater. My 4th-5th combination class presented Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet." It was a smashing success! I taught a unit in stocks and my class won the Sacramento Bee completion one year. During my last five years I mentored student teachers. There's more, but let's not bore the reader.

Then it happened: while on Spring Break in 2004. My husband and I traveled around Oregon and found a small chalet overlooking the Pacific. That same day we made an offer on the fixer-upper which is now our home. It was an emotional spur-of-the-moment decision. But somehow, it just seemed right. So we returned home and my husband was in charge of selling our house in Fair Oaks. We had agreed to a ninety day escrow. At that time, Bob was capable of selling ice to an Eskimo. So, of course, he found a buyer while I was sweating bullets. The following two years were spent making our house a home.

I decided to gradually transition my way out of the educational system by substitute teaching in Gold Beach and Brookings.

In June of 2008, I made the decision to give time for volunteer work. I was soon introduced to Chris Underhill at the annual Hatchery Fundraiser Dinner. The next thing I knew, I was in the thick of it, taking care of salmon eggs and becoming involved in the spawning process. I soon discovered that the spirits of all those salmon that my classes raised in the classroom while teaching fifth grade in Sacramento were calling me. Mentored by Susan Kopec, I found that becoming a “spermintor” is great fun as well as a huge responsibility, and to this day, it remains my favorite activity at the hatchery. I’m already looking forward to the upcoming season. I have also served as membership chair, treasurer, and, of course, editor of *The Riffle*.

Some of my other interests include activities such as swimming, downhill skiing, biking, hiking and yoga. I love to travel and have been fortunate to see much of the world, partly because my mother lives in Germany. For many years, I would fly to Germany and from there travel with my mother to other parts of the world. On a final note, I can only say that living in Gold Beach has fulfilled a part of my dream – to live by the ocean.

Fishing Quote of the Month

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day. ~ Author Unknown



Photo submitted by Hassie Taylor

Zane Grey's Rogue River: Past and Present

Submitted by Nancy Howe
Continuation from last month's article...
Last part will be published in our next issue.

Number 3: Description of Gold Beach

There was lots of action going on in Gold Beach.

“Sure. Finest little town on the coast. But in the salmon season there’s crowds of fishermen an’ oodles of money. Gamblin’ an’ bootleggin’ on the sly. An’ there’s a couple of joints as tough as any frontier dive ever was. They’re a hard crowd, these fishermen. Seafarin’ men from Portland an’ Seattle. Canucks from Puget Sound half-breeds from the Cascades. Coast fishermen from Crescent. From May til October first, Gold Beach is sure prosperous.” P.43

Grey, Zane, *Rogue River Feud*, Curtis Publishing Co, 1929, 1930, pg.1. (From a complete set of Zane Grey’s novels available at the Curry Public Library, Gold Beach).

Sponsor's Corner

Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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Edward Jones and Damon feel that CAF is a vital part of the community and commend the volunteers at Indian Creek Hatchery for their tireless efforts. Damon's wife and son are also CAF volunteers helping out with fundraisers and at the hatchery.

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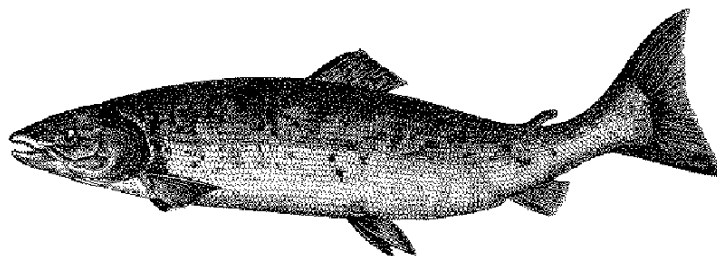
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Also needed is a new membership chairperson.

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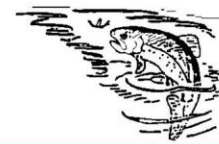
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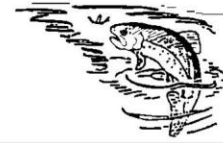
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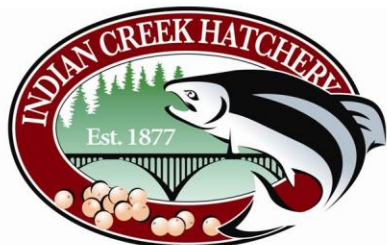
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